

DAP hits out at Umno, Barisan over hudud 'U-turn'
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DAP today criticised Umno and Barisan Nasional for trying to score cheap political points by submitting a motion for a debate on hudud before doing a hasty U-turn on it.

Party national publicity chief Tony Pua said Umno had hoped to garner additional Malay support by supporting the implementation of hudud.

"Umno Selangor had submitted a motion to Selangor assembly Speaker Hannah Yeoh (pic), who allowed the motion.

"However, once Umno's motion was made public, they quickly decided to withdraw their own motion to prevent it from being debated," Pua said in a statement.

"Umno was in shock as their bluff had been called and exposed. It is embarrassing how fast they withdrew their motion.

"The U-turn only proves that the party and its elected representatives were fooling around with the motion and abused state assembly processes to score cheap political points."

Pua said Barisan Nasional's biggest fear was not the motion being debated in the Selangor legislature, it was the voting outcome.

"The outcome is when the motion is unanimously rejected by all the Pakatan Rakyat representatives, DAP, PKR and PAS in the state assembly."

Pua said it was clear that BN was resorting to the divide-and-rule strategy in order to garner more support in Selangor.

"Umno hopes to win Malay votes by supporting hudud while MCA and Gerakan are aiming for the non-Malay votes by striking fears over hudud."

Pua praised Yeoh for her belief in the democratic institution by allowing the motion which had been tabled by Selangor Umno.

"Yeoh's beliefs and principles have triumphed over BN's politics of hypocrisy and fear-mongering." – June 14, 2014.

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